## **REMARKS**

Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 13-40, 43 and 46.

Applicant hereby cancels claims 1-7, 10-12, 41-42 and 44-45 from the present application without prejudice and concurrently file a corresponding Continuation Application which will continue the prosecution of the cancelled claims.

Claims 8 and 9 have been amended as suggested Examiner. Applicant respectfully requests that claims 8 and 9 be found allowable.

Applicant's respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance, and an early indication of the same is courteously solicited.

## **CONCLUSION**

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and an early indication of the same is courteously solicited. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone at the below listed telephone number, in order to expedite resolution of any issues and to expedite passage of the present application to issue, if any comments, questions, or suggestions arise in connection with the present application.

In the event that a variance exists between the amount tendered and that required by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to enter and consider this Reply, or to prevent abandonment of the present application, please charge or credit such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-2613 (Order No. 45098.00011.UTL1.P1068).

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